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## The role of First Nations in oil spill prevention, preparedness, response and recovery in British Columbia

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# **The role of First Nations in oil spill prevention, preparedness, response and recovery in British Columbia**

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Presenter: Pano Skrivanos, GIS Coordinator, Tsleil-Waututh Nation

# Presentation Outline

- About the Tsleil-Waututh Nation
- 2007 Kinder Morgan Oil Spill
- Initiatives – Looking Forward



# About the Tsleil-Waututh

- The Tsleil-Waututh are the 'People of the Inlet'
- Coast Salish Nation
- Down River Hul'q'umi'num'
- Traditional Territory includes Burrard Inlet
- Vancouver – home to 2.5 million people
- History, Identity and Culture connected to the lands and waters

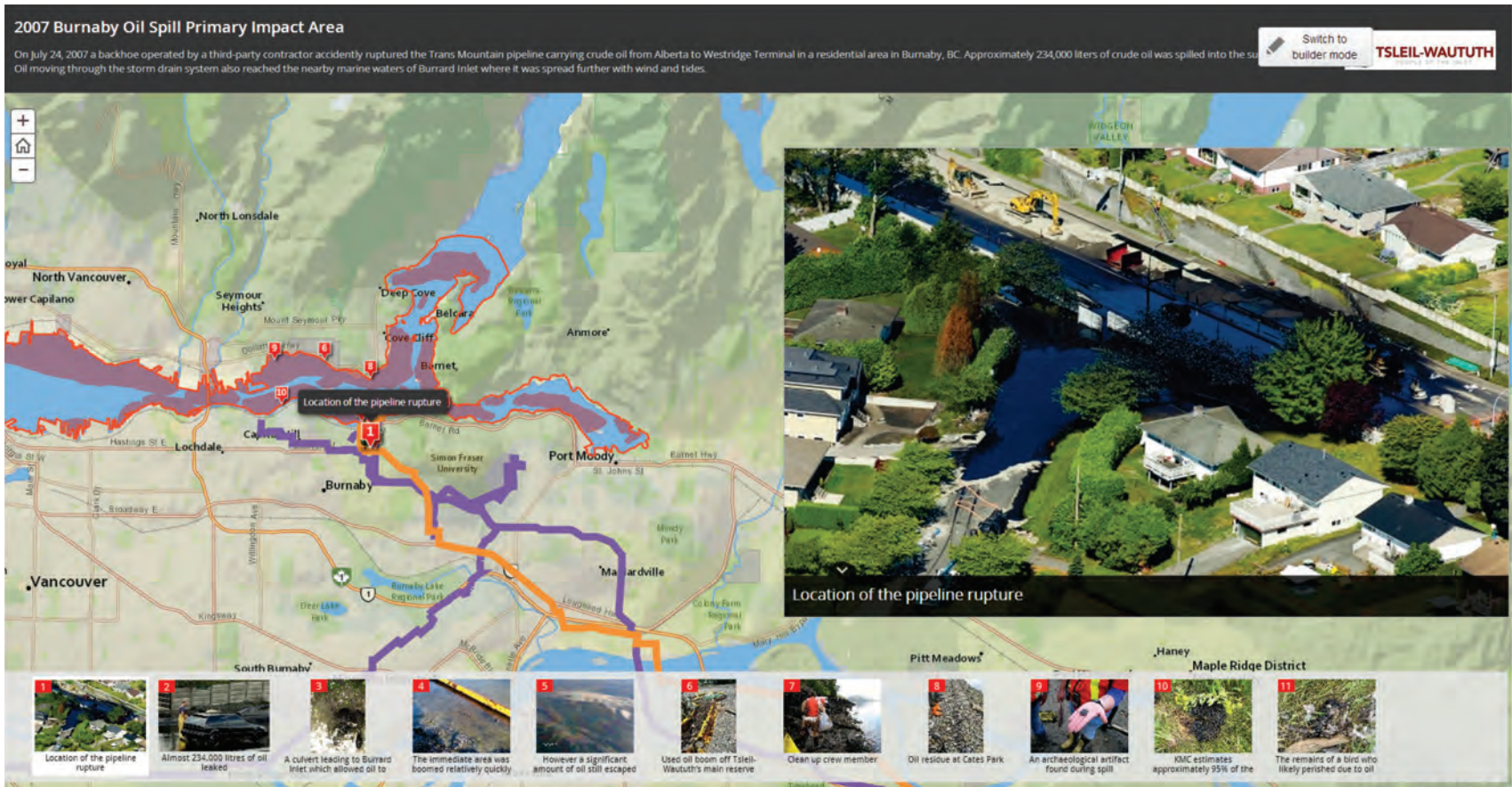


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# The 2007 Spill

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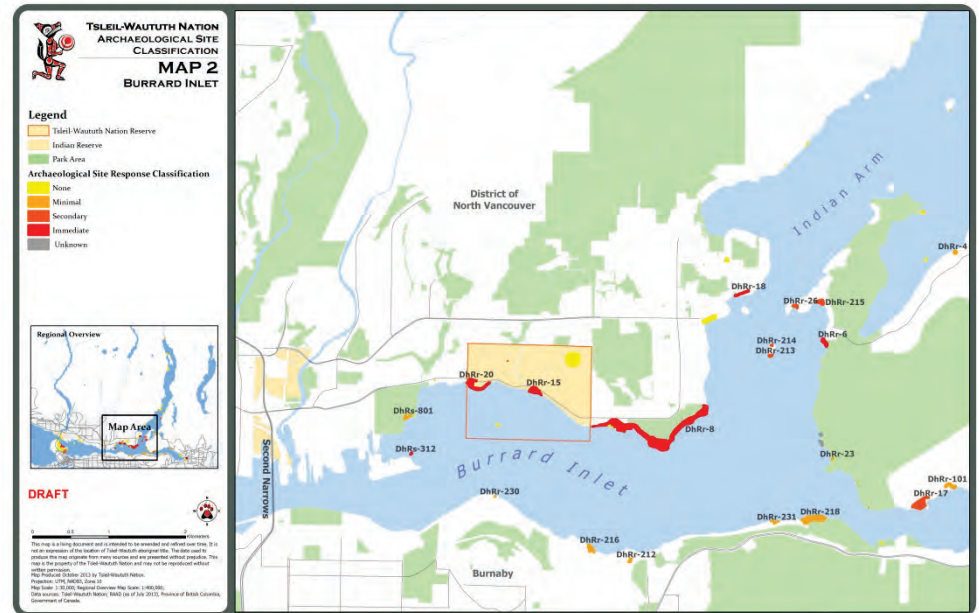
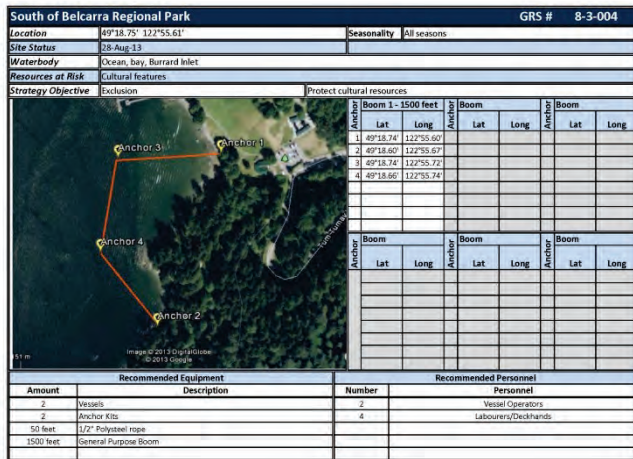
# TWN Participation

- Decision making
- Mapping services
- Shoreline clean up
- Monitoring



# Geographic Response Plans

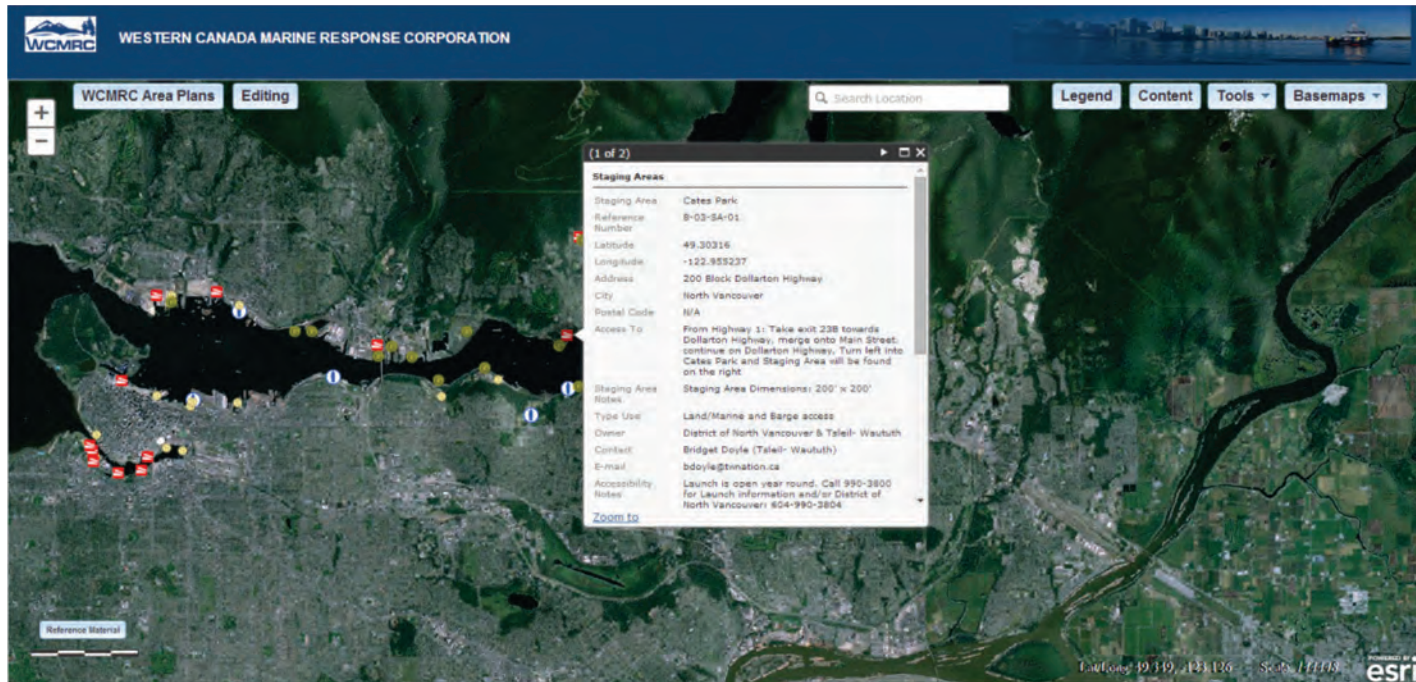
- WCMRC Transport Canada certified response organization
- Updating Geographic Response Plans
- TWN helping to identify areas of cultural and archaeological priority





# Web-based Mapping Application

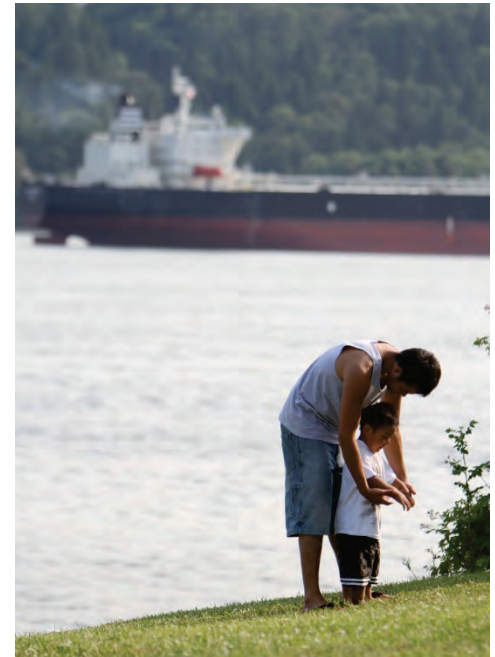
- Incorporates Logistical- Resource Assets, Coastal Resources, and Spill Response Information
- Can be shared and easily accessible.
- Serves as the basis for geographic response planning
- Provides information that will be used to identify sensitive features





# Other Shared Initiatives

- Full participation at both command and technical level in spill response exercises
- Possibility of WCMRC training community members in oil spill response
- Possibility of locating spill response equipment within the community



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